DEPARTMENT OF BENEFIT PAYMENTS

744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

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ALL-COUNTY LETTER NO. 75-246

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: APSB - Enactment of Assembly Bill 813

REFERENCE: THIS LETTER SUPERSEDES ALL-COUNTY LETTER 75-192

This letter is to provide instructions to counties for implementing recently enacted AB 813 (Chapter 512, Statutes of 1975), which revises the grant structure in the Aid to the Potentially Self-supporting Blind (APSB) Program. Emergency regulations are now being prepared and will be released in the near future.

AB 813 was enacted as an urgency measure on September 5, 1975, and provides that APSB grants shall be equal to the grants for blind persons and married couples under the State Supplementary Program (SSP). The new statute, therefore, eliminates individually determined needs including special needs, and establishes a flat payment standard in APSB. Counties should disregard those portions of the following current EAS Manual Sections which deal with the determination of need and grant maximums in APSB: 44-200 through 44-209, 44-231 through 44-263 and 44-311.

Effective September 5, 1975, the grant levels in the APSB Program are as follows:

All living arrangements except nonmedical out-of-home care

Individuals \$292

Married couples (both APSB) \$584

Nonmedical out-of-home care

Individuals \$306

Married couples (both APSB) \$612

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Counties shall recompute the grants of all persons who received APSB in September 1975 or thereafter and issue supplemental payments to reflect the above grant levels for each month that the person was eligible for APSB. Grant adjustments for the month of September must be computed for 26 days only. To determine the September increase, counties shall determine each recipient's grant increase for the full month, and then multiply that amount by the Reciprocal Factor of .8667 as provided in Fiscal Handbook Section 25-565.

If you have any questions concerning this letter, please contact Michael Pearson of the Adult Program Management Branch at (916) 322-2676.

Sincerely.

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